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T. P. A. DELEGATION WERE WELL ENTERTAINED HERE

Alliance Was Host Friday and Saturday to Largest Convention ever Held in the State

GOOD ADVERTISING GIVEN CITY BY ENTERTAINMENT

Banquet, Wild Cowboy Race, Lobster Supper and Other Features Please the Delegates

Alliance has added to her list of boosters one hundred and fifty more loyal, energetic, live-wire traveling men, who were the guests of Post M and the city for two days, Friday and Saturday of last week, during the twenty-second annual convention of the Nebraska Division, Travelers' Protective Association of America.

Many of the one hundred and fifty delegates who attended were accompanied by their wives, who were kept royally entertained by the local ladies' entertainment committee.

Bright and early Friday morning the Alliance band of twenty-two pieces awoke the sleeping laggards who were ensconced in private cars at the railroad yards or in the hotels of the city, which were packed full. The band serenaded the visitors for an hour.

The local arrangements were looked after by the special convention committee, consisting of L. H. Highland, chairman; Jack Hawes, secretary; S. W. Thompson, R. C. Strong and H. W. Hull. C. M. Looney, president, and George Read, vice president, of Post M, did their part in the work of entertainment, and they were assisted by other members of the local post and Secretary W. D. Fisher of the Commercial Club, as well as many of the business men.

Friday Morning Program The convention opened at 9:30 o'clock Friday morning, with every delegate in his seat. The delegations were seated together in groups. L. H. Highland of Alliance occupied the chair. Rev. H. J. Young, chaplain of Post M, delivered the invocation. Music was furnished throughout the two days by the Imperial orchestra. As the orchestra played "Maid Columbia" a large U. S. flag dropped slowly into view at the back of the stage, bringing the audience to their feet with cheer after cheer.

The first speaker was Mayor Romig, who delivered an address of welcome that made the boys feel at home. Near the close of his speech he presented State President Walter G. White of Fremont with the "key to the city", a monster key over six feet in length. The mayor closed his talk by reciting the following poem:

"Where the West Begins"
Out where the landscape's a little stronger,
Out where the smile dwells a little longer,
That's where the West begins,
Out where the sun's a little brighter,
Where the snows that fall are a trifle whiter,
That's where the West begins,
Out where the skies are a trifle bluer,
Out where friendship's a little truer,
That's where the West begins,
Out where a fresher breeze is blowing,
Where there's laughter in every streamlet flowing,
Where there's more of reaping and less of sowing,
That's where the West begins,
Out where the world is in the making,
Where fewer hearts with despair aching,
That's where the West begins,
Where there's more of singing and less of sighing,
Where there's more of giving and less of buying,
And a man makes friends without half trying,
That's where the West begins.

John W. Guthrie of Alliance, who extended the invitation at Hastings last year to come to Alliance for the present convention, was the next speaker. He remembered that he was "fifty years young today" and re-iterated his promise made a year ago to "pay the expenses of any delegate who was not satisfied with the entertainment" at the close of the convention.

Walter G. White of Fremont, state president, responded to the two previous talks and spoke well of the way Alliance appeared to the visitors, many of whom had never been here before. He stated that he would "take the key to the city home with him because he might want to come again". Mr. White then opened the business session and made appointments of committees on rules, resolutions, credentials, constitution and by-laws and national apportionment.

Jack Hawes of Alliance was appointed sergeant-at-arms during the convention.

Telegrams were read from Abraham L. Sutton of Omaha, republican candidate for governor, and Keith Neville of North Platte, democratic candidate, regretting that they were unable to be present on invitation. Telegrams were also read from Grand Island, Omaha and Lincoln inviting the association to meet with them for the 1917 convention. Reports of the officers and

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BREAKS WINDOW AND SHOW CASE OF STORE

Conley Miller Stumbles Against Cupboard Door and Thief Makes His Get-away

But for an open cupboard door in their living rooms in the back part of his second-hand store Conley Miller would have caught the thief who broke into the store Monday night between midnight and 1 o'clock. The robber threw a brick through the window breaking out the glass and then went in through the opening. Instead of opening the show case, which was not locked, he threw the brick through this and taking three second-hand revolvers and two second-hand watches he made his getaway. Mr. Miller, who was asleep in the living rooms at the rear of the store, heard the first crash and was on his feet in a minute. In his hurry he ran into an open cupboard door and had a gash cut in his forehead and was knocked down. By the time he reached the front of the store in his night clothes the thief had gone. Going outside he saw the man disappear in the alley back of the store. He called to him to stop and fired a couple of shots into the ground but the thief was on his way.

Several parties were on the street at the time and heard the crash but the job was done so quickly that the man was gone before any of them could get down to the store.

The property stolen was valued at about \$40, and the damage to the window and show case was about \$30.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT AVOIDED

Scared Horse Ran Away Tuesday Morning, Wrecking Wagon and Throwing Dynamite on Street

Nothing but a streak of good luck saved the life of at least one man and prevented the destruction of several buildings on Box Butte avenue at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning when a horse pulling a light wagon belonging to J. P. Barger, the tree expert, and driven by an employee, became scared and ran down Box Butte avenue at top speed, completely wrecking the wagon, slightly injuring the driver and scattering a hundred sticks of dynamite over the street.

The dynamite was packed in a box and was to be used in blasting holes for tree planting, at which Mr. Barger has made quite a success. The horse became scared in the north part of town and in spite of the efforts of the driver, ran full speed for the business portion of the city.

When directly in front of the Imperial theatre on Box Butte avenue the light wagon overturned, throwing the driver under the wagon box with the dynamite which scattered in all directions. The horse continued on his way with the wagon upside down after pulling the reins from the driver, who was slightly injured.

A hundred feet farther the wagon box became loose and the horse continued on his way with the running gears and wheels which he collided with the City Meat Market auto delivery car, where he left what remained of the wagon and continued on to the Burlington depot, evidently with the intention of catching the first train out.

Occupants of the Drake hotel, Alliance Garage, Newberry building and other buildings nearby shook hands with themselves when they realized that if the dynamite had exploded it might have blown them all to kingdom-come without time to say good-bye. Dynamite without percussion caps is not so dangerous, however, as Link Lowry will testify, for he drove a Ford car around for a month with three sticks of the explosive in the back, before he found them.

FOUR ARRESTS IN RAID MADE ON ATLAS HOTEL

Two Women Plead Guilty to Being Prostitutes and Two Men Plead Guilty to Disorderly Conduct

Two women plead guilty to being prostitutes and two men plead guilty to disorderly conduct in Police Magistrate T. D. Roberts' court yesterday afternoon as a result of a raid made on the Atlas Hotel at 1 o'clock by Marshal A. B. Wheeler.

Marie Rourk was fined \$10 and costs which was paid and was given twenty-four hours to leave town. She left at noon today. Zelena Darnell was fined \$1 and costs. George Manewal and Otto Brooks were fined \$1 and costs each on charges of disorderly conduct, and fines were suspended during good behavior.

A dollar saved is a dollar earned. Save and earn dollars at the Fashion Shop's half-price sale.

CITY COUNCIL GRANT LICENSES

Saloons, Pool Halls, Plumbers and Others Get Licenses at Last Friday's Meeting

TRACTOR PROPOSITION IS TABLED—LACK OF FUNDS

Two Saloon Licenses Withheld Temporarily for Filing Bonds According to City Specifications

Five saloon licenses, three pool hall licenses, plumbers' licenses and picture show license for the fiscal year beginning May 1 were granted by the city council at their meeting last Friday night.

On account of the failure of a bonding company, which had been furnishing the bonds, at a time too late to take up the matter of bonds with another company all the saloon men furnished bonds signed by local parties.

None of the bonds were questioned as to the financial standing of the signers but the bonds of King and Riordan and Fred Rehder were rejected with instructions to furnish new bonds according to the form specified by the council. The licenses were granted subject to the return of the correct form of bond.

The saloon license is \$1400 per year, and each petition was accompanied by a check for this amount, proof of publication, and bonds for \$5,000.

The licenses granted and the bondsmen are as follows: Martin J. King and Homer M. Wilson—bondsmen, A. Riley and Ernest Ponwitz.

Wm. King and Frank E. Wilson—bondsmen, John Snoddy, E. E. Eldred, Andy Cusick and G. A. Underwood.

Wm. King and John Riordan—bondsmen, Patrick King, Lincoln Lowry, Marcus Frankie and James Keeler.

Fred Rehder—bondsmen, Ferdinand Seidler and Fred W. Pahlow. Everett Cook—bondsmen, Charles Tiernan and George Burke.

Homer Wilson has since made arrangements to conduct a saloon at the Campbell stand in the Alliance Hotel building.

W. F. Crane, Henry Keiser and V. E. Byrne were granted licenses to conduct pool halls on payment of the regular license fee of \$10 per table per year. The application of John Bayers was withheld pending investigation.

Mayor Romig stated that there had been several complaints against this place and the council decided to postpone action on this application until the charges could be investigated.

Plumbers' licenses were granted to E. A. Jeffers and P. O. Beckwell. H. A. DuBouque was granted a license for the new year for conducting the Imperial theatre. Theatre license is \$50 per year.

John R. Snyder was granted a dray license. Recently the council has been confronted with the necessity of purchasing a new sprinkler and they are investigating the proposition of a combination sprinkler that will handle either water or oil. Lacking funds with which to purchase both a sprinkler and a tractor the council voted Friday night to table the tractor proposition indefinitely.

LOST—A purse containing two ten dollar bills and silver, at Imperial Theatre or between the theatre and School of Music, Tuesday evening. Finder please return same to School of Music. 22-11-6924

CORRECTION IN THE PRICE ON CORNELL-WOOD-BOARD

By mistake the price quoted on Cornell-Wood-Board in the Foster Lumber Company's quarter page ad in this issue of The Herald is incorrect. The price is quoted at "three cents per square foot in full box-cases", and the ad should read "four cents per square foot."

District court which was in session all last week with Judge H. M. Grimes of North Platte presiding, adjourned Saturday until July 18 when a short session will be held.

The last case of importance was that of Albert Wiker versus the city of Alliance, in which the defendant was given a verdict of \$691.70. Mr. Wiker had sued the city for damages alleged sustained when the grade of Box Butte avenue was raised higher than his property at the corner of Box Butte and Seventh.

City officials have stated that the case will be appealed to the supreme court of Nebraska. Attorney William Mitchell represented Mr. Wiker, and Burton & Reddish were the attorneys for the city.

Disposition of the divorce cases on the April docket was made as follows: Eva L. Wykoff versus Charles F. Wykoff, dismissed at plaintiff's costs. Bertie E. Primmer versus Richard S. Primmer, divorce granted.

MIKE SHESAKE TRIES SUICIDE

Narrowly Missed Death Monday Morning When Wagon Loaded with Dynamite Overturns

SHOOTS SELF WHILE IN HEMINGFORD LIVERY BARN

Overpowers Guard on Train Number 42—Is Held until Hospital Is Reached

Mike Shesake, who narrowly escaped instant annihilation early Monday morning when the wagon which he was driving, in which was a box of dynamite, overturned on Box Butte avenue, shot himself through the left breast at 9 o'clock Tuesday evening at the Hemingford livery barn.

Shesake's action at Hemingford leads some to believe that he may have purposely tried to kill himself and perhaps others Tuesday morning, and that the runaway was not an accident. His only injuries in the runaway, when the wagon was demolished and dynamite scattered over the street, were three front teeth broken off.

At Hemingford he had been threatening suicide so often that the men with whom he associated had begun to laugh at him. In his mutterings while being taken from Hemingford to the hospital he mentioned the name of a girl near that city and it is believed that an unsuccessful love affair was the cause of his despondency.

Shesake purchased a cheap revolver in Hemingford Tuesday afternoon and at 9 o'clock went to the livery barn where there were three or four men in the office. He calmly informed them that he was going to kill himself and divested himself of his coat, vest, hat, collar and tie. Three of the men hurriedly left, while the other stayed to see what would happen. "Now if you will kindly step outside," he said to the fourth, "I will do the deed." The fourth did step outside and all were startled a moment later by the report of the gun. They started to the barn when Shesake walked to the door, leaned against the jamb and said to them, "What in — do you — want here?" He collapsed and they called a doctor, who found that he had shot himself just above the heart on the left side.

Train number forty-two was stopped an hour later and Shesake was placed on board with a guard. He was only partially conscious but at Berea became violent and overpowered the guard, who had to call for help. He was placed in the hospital at Alliance and it was reported this morning that he was getting along as well as could be expected.

ODD FELLOWS BUSY

Local Lodge Organization Celebrate 97th Anniversary Last Wednesday—Visited at Hemingford

The ninety-seventh anniversary of the Odd Fellows lodge was celebrated with fitting ceremonies on Wednesday evening, April 27, at the hall in Alliance. A large crowd attended. Speakers on the program were Harry Beans, Rev. J. B. Carns and Lloyd Thomas. Refreshments were served and a general good time enjoyed by all.

Wednesday evening of this week about thirty members of the local lodge, with a degree team, journeyed to Hemingford in autos, where they put on a degree and were entertained by the Hemingford lodge, returning at a late hour last night.

A. A. Layton, pastor of the Baptist church, has returned from a trip to Denver and Pueblo, Colo., and will be in his service Sunday morning and evening. He goes to Bridgeport Monday to begin revival meetings.

VERDICT OF \$691.70 FOR WIKER.—DISPOSITION OF OTHER CASES

Goldie Fuller versus Charles Fuller, divorce granted.

Maude Carter versus William Carter, divorce granted.

Mary C. Carter versus George R. Carter, divorce granted and plaintiff granted custody of twelve-year-old daughter, Grace.

Lucy Gillispie versus Clinton Gillispie, divorce granted.

Other Cases Laura L. Raver vs. John C. Henley et al, appeal, continued by agreement.

C. W. Harrison vs. Geo. G. Gadsby, appeal, continued by agreement.

Larmie J. Brown vs. Mitchell Trust Co. et al, foreclosure, sale confirmed and deed ordered.

Chas. E. Wiltsey vs. Sigvald Nordvick et al, foreclosure, sale confirmed and deed ordered.

Alonzo Hague vs. George G. Gadsby et al, foreclosure, sale confirmed and deed ordered.

Willis G. Gentle vs. C. B. & Q. R. R. Co., appeal, case dismissed by agreement.

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EVENTS INCIDENT TO CLOSING OF ALLIANCE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ROBBER GETS \$58.00 AND TWO WATCHES

No Clue to Party Who Broke into the Drake Rooming House on Box Butte Avenue

Fifty-eight dollars in money was taken from W. R. Drake's trousers pockets and two gold watches were stolen some time in the night Sunday at the Drake rooms over the Famous Store.

There is absolutely no clue as to the guilty party or parties are. The first Mr. Drake knew of the robbery was when he started to dress in the morning. His trousers which he had hung over the foot of the bed were missing. After a short search he found them on the floor of a room across the hall with the pockets turned inside out. His pocket book containing about fifty-eight dollars and a check were missing. A gold watch that had been a present to Mrs. Drake and which was valued at about fifty dollars was stolen and a watch belonging to the daughter and valued at ten dollars was also taken.

To K. C. Convention Several members of the local order Knights of Columbus will leave Sunday to attend the state convention of the order at Fremont, which will be in session Monday and Tuesday. In the party will be J. W. Guthrie, J. W. Tynan, T. J. O'Keefe, Walter Buehsestein, Ed Shields, and Peter Becker. Mr. Guthrie expects to go to Lincoln and Omaha on business and will be gone about a week.

A MUSICAL COLUMN

New Department in The Herald Begins This Week, Edited by Prof. Ralph R. Uniacke

We take pleasure in announcing to our subscribers and readers of a new feature in our paper. Beginning with this issue and continuing each week we shall run a Musical Column, edited by Ralph R. Uniacke, violinist with the Alliance School of Music. This column is to be devoted to everything in music. Mr. Uniacke's own words will explain this column more adequately. He says: "I know that business men and women do not have the time to wander through endless volumes and treatises on the subject of music to enable themselves to become familiar with this vast subject. But the average thoughtful person does wander through the newspaper in search of things of interest, and short articles on various subjects attract their attention, and these they read with absorbing interest. What I want to do is to tell the busy men and women of Alliance the Story of Music, briefly and concisely; to show them the relation of Music to their lives."

Mr. Uniacke will endeavor to answer any reasonable question upon the subject of music, and frankly confess his inability should the question be beyond his scope. It is hoped that this column will be of vital interest to everyone whether musically inclined or not. Step by step his column will take you through the birth, growth, and the final development of the eternal value of Music. Read the first article and get a foretaste of those that are to follow.

CHAIN GANG FOR BUMS

New Hours on Chain Gang and Transients Are Ready to Seek Other Lodging Quarters

A chain gang and rock pile is the latest acquisition for the city of Alliance. So many hobos and bums have been so indifferent to police orders to make themselves scarce in Alliance that Marshal Wheeler has arranged for their special employment and amusement while in the city of Alliance.

E. R. Ford, who claims his home is Omaha, was fined Tuesday for drunkenness and was put on the streets with ball and chain. He positively refused to work but after five hours of loafing he was quite willing to work merely for the chance. When left at a local restaurant eating supper he took advantage of the officers' absence and skipped out.

Charles Krieger, who says he is a "boomer machinist" from Pennsylvania, was fined in police court on charges of vagrancy but fine was suspended if he would go to work. After lying around a couple of days refusing to work in open defiance of court orders he was rearrested and put on the chain gang. He has made threats that he will "clean up" the whole town before leaving Alliance.

First Baptist Church Bible school, 10 a. m. Preaching service, 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Young people, 8:45 p. m.

Commencement, Class Play, Class Day Program, Junior-Senior Reception, and Other Events

COUNTY AND CITY EIGHTH GRADE EXERCISES MAY 25

R. B. Crane, President of Hastings College, Will Deliver the H. S. Commencement Address

May 9. Latin Play. May 12. Senior Class Play. May 16. Junior-Senior Reception. May 21. Baccalaureate sermon. May 23. Senior Recognition Day. May 24. Class Day Program. May 25. Eighth Grade graduating. May 25. Alumni Reception. May 26. H. S. Commencement.

The above is the calendar of events incident to the closing of the 1915-16 school year.

The commencement exercises for the high school will be held at the Phelan opera house Friday night, May 26, and Dr. R. B. Crane, president of the Hastings College, will deliver the commencement address.

The eighth grade graduates of both the Alliance and the county schools will have a joint program at the Phelan opera house on the afternoon of Thursday, May 25. Attorney Wm. Ritchie, of Bridgeport, has been secured to deliver the principal address. Eighth grade examinations will be held at the court house in Alliance and at the school house in Hemingford tomorrow, May 5.

Numerous other events have been announced and will occur in order as given.

The Latin Club of the high school will give a program at the high school auditorium next Tuesday night. This is an invitational affair and is not open to the public. The Caesar and Cicera classes will present a play entitled the "Roman School," and the Virgil class will present a dramatization of Virgil's Aeneid, the story of Dido and Aeneas.

The Senior class play will be given Friday night, May 12, at the Phelan opera house. This play is a farce in four acts, entitled "Condensed Air," and it has been localized to an extent that will make it extremely interesting. The students have been preparing for this event under the direction of Miss Canfield, who has been assisted by Miss Leone Mallory.

The Junior-Senior reception will be held the 16th.

The baccalaureate address will be given at the Phelan opera house, Sunday, May 21.

Tuesday, May 23, is "Senior Recognition Day," and the members of the graduating class will appear in caps and gowns.

The Class Day program will be given Wednesday, May 24, at the high school and the Alumni banquet will be held Thursday night, May 25. The arrangements for this are not complete, and are in the hands of the Alumni Association, of which County Attorney Lee Basye is president. The banquet will be held at one of the local hotels.

INSTALLING THE NEW PLAY GROUND EQUIPMENT

Stucco Band Stand About Completed—Building Baseball Diamond at the City Park

Play ground equipment consisting of a "slide" and a "sant stride" were installed at the city park this week. Another slide, somewhat smaller than the one installed, will be received in a few days. The "kids" are getting much enjoyment out of this equipment already, although it has been in only a couple of days. After school last night scores of them made a "bee line" to the park and some remained till way past supper time.

A baseball diamond is being cut out at the north side of the grounds and this will be ready for the boys in a few days.

The \$400 stucco band stand in process of erection by Contractor W. L. Vernon is also about completed, and it is being planned to have weekly free band concerts.

J. P. Barger, the nursery man, is setting out 250 trees in the park this week.

The development of the park is only one of the good things accomplished through the efforts of Secretary Fisher of the Commercial Club, and if as much progress is made in the next few years as is shown for the past two seasons Alliance will have a splendid park.

WEATHER REPORT By Gov't Observer Hicks

Table with columns: Date, Maximum, Minimum. Rows for April 27, 28, 29, 30 and May 1, 2, 3.